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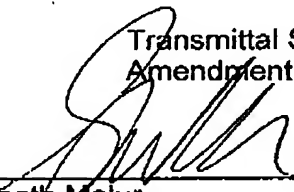
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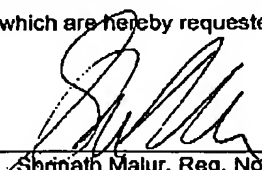
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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of January 4, 2007, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks / Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.